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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

K. Hashimoto et al.

Application No. 10/028,429

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Atty. Docket No. 107317-00039

For: DRY ETCHING WITH REDUCED DAMAGE TO MOS DEVICE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents

P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313

November 17, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for two months for responding to the outstanding Office Action dated June 16, 2003 from September 16, 2003 to November 16, 2003.

A check in the amount of Four Hundred Twenty (\$420.00) dollars is attached hereto. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300 referencing docket number 107317-00039.

Respectfully submitted,

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